FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM

As we near the end of Term 2 it is a timely reminder of our great achievements. It was disappointing to postpone our Drive in Movie be due to the wet weather and the damp condition of the oval. Watch this space for upcoming P and C events. We also thank all parents for your continued support of our school during the semester.

Annual Report: Our School Annual Report which will be published on our school website details the growth, development and performance of Clover Hill State School in 2014. This report provides parents and members of the school community with insights into our program development, teaching and learning foci, community partnerships and standards achieved by our students.

Staffing Changes next term: Next term we have the following changes to our Executive Team.

- Mrs Gayle Alessio will be taking 7 weeks long service leave. During this time, Mr Regan Gant will be Acting Principal, Mrs Kathy Cavanagh will be Acting Deputy Principal and Mrs Wendy McKay will be Acting Head of Curriculum. As a result of these changes we also welcome Mr Emmett Abraham who will be replacing Mrs McKay on Year 5 for Term 3.

Reports: Semester 1 reports were emailed on Wednesday the 24th. If you did not receive your copy they are available via Q Parents.
Reporting student learning progress to parents is another essential component of involving parents in their child’s education. Reporting to parents in written form occurs at the end of each semester. Our teachers use a wide variety of ways to track student learning progress. They collect samples of students’ work, they make observations of children working, they test student learning. As children are all different we don’t judge them against one another, we make decisions about what children are learning against a set of predetermined criteria; competency is not relative to the achievement of others. Parent – teacher interviews are scheduled in Term One and Parent-Student-Teacher conferences are scheduled in Week Three Term Three. The online booking schedule will be advertised early next term.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays: With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

Student absences – Family Holidays: Of concern have been the number of students who are missing a significant period of school due to family holidays. Our Department advocates that parents have a legal obligation to ensure their child is attending school every day. Parents can apply for an exemption from this obligation when their child cannot attend or it would be unreasonable in all the circumstances for their child to attend school or participate in an eligible option for a period of more than 10 consecutive school days. Situations where an application for an exemption may be made include: Illness, family reasons or cultural/religious reasons. In these cases, our office staff can provide parents with an application form for an exemption and it is important that supporting documentation and evidence are attached to the application. When a decision about the exemption has been made, parents will be informed in writing whether or not the exemption has been granted and if any conditions have been imposed. If parents are not satisfied with the decision made, they can make a submission for the decision to be reviewed. Further information is available from our Parent Liaison Officer, Mrs Michelle Brown.

Gayle Alessio—Principal

Principal on behalf of the 2015 Executive Team

(Mr Regan Gant, Mrs Jenny Tobin, Ms Ursula Carty, Mrs Kathy Cavanagh, Ms Sue Cady and Mrs Ann St George)

WE ARE ACCEPTING ENROLMENTS FOR 2016 NOW.

CONTACT: 55594111 or email mbrow78@eq.edu.au for a package

PLEASE ENROL EARLY SO WE CAN ARRANGE STAFFING!

DATE CLAIMERS
CLOVER KITCHEN GARDEN

We will soon be installing 12 new garden beds for the garden. Several classes will adopt a bed each, and enjoy the learning and fun involved with being responsible for growing plants. Soon we will ask for parent help to install these garden beds, fill them with soil and getting them ready for planting. Once the garden beds are delivered we will meet one weekend morning for a few hours to get this job done. I hope you might be able to help out.

Thank you

Mrs Tobin on behalf of the Science Team

SEWING CLUB

Dear Families

Thank you for the wonderful gift of fabric pieces. We have started a sewing and craft group which meets on Mondays at big lunch in I4. We have started to learn the skills of crocheting. If you have any spare wool, knitting needles or crochet hooks we would be happy to receive these donations.

Thank you

Mrs Tobin

QPARENTS

Qparents has launched! Invitations for parents to register for QParents have been distributed via email. If you didn’t receive your invitation or need it to be resent, please contact the school.

QParents will allow parents to connect instantly with their child’s school to access and manage their child’s student information including:

- Attendance and absences details, including the ability let the school know of changes to normal routine, such as when a child is unwell or has to leave early.
- Academic report cards.
- Unpaid invoice details and payment history.
- Personal student details, including the ability to update information such as medical conditions.
- Enrolment details.

The benefits of Qparents:
Convenience and time savings for parents

- Parents can view or updated their child’s details without having to contact the school
- Provides an opportunity to enhance the role parents to play in their child’s education journey.

Greater transparency of information

- Improves accountability between parents and schools by providing parents with timely access to their child’s information online.

Contemporary state-wide solution

- Secure 24/7 access online.
- Anytime, anywhere accessibility — access Qparents on your smart phone, tablet or computer.
- QParents is a scalable solution that has the potential to become a centralised information hub for parents to help them manage their child’s educational journey.

More information about QParents can be found at https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about

If you haven’t done so already, join Qparents today!

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for Clover Hill State School.

It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards).

Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, located in the office at Clover Hill.

Please remember there is one sticker to a square and stickers must NOT be overlapped.

THE READING TEAM

From the Reading Team – Welcome Back Pre-Teen!

As children develop into teenagers, they go through many physical, social and emotional changes. One of the biggest changes, and one that often sees parents and carers at their wits end, is the distinctive attitudinal change many go through! If you’d love a blast from the past, try this – put a younger child next to your teenager and a picture book in their hands; then witness a wonderful transformation. The ‘grunt’ is replaced with articulate, expressive reading; the ‘meh’ attitude is
reformed through fluid and animated reading, and the 'moodiness' is converted into an open smile
and cheery disposition. For a few glorious moments, your life will be transformed!

UNIFORM STANDARDS

School Uniform Standards: Clover Hill State School’s uniform policy has been developed in
conjunction with the Parents and Citizens Association to promote a sense of belonging and a positive
image of our school within the community. Our uniform has been deliberately chosen with cost,
health and safety, maximum participation in all educational activities and practicality in mind. All
members of the school community need to accept responsibility for ensuring that dress standards are
maintained. To clarify what is acceptable and what is not acceptable according to our uniform policy
we have included a pictures of what items are acceptable and what are not. We ask that all parents
support our school's efforts by ensuring that your child wears the correct uniform on a daily basis.
Should anyone wish to discuss this or require further clarification about our uniform policy please
contact the school to arrange an appointment with our Parent Liaison Officer Mrs Michelle Brown or
one of our school administrators.
Help us to maintain our Uniform Standards

Shoes to be worn with Formal Uniform on a daily basis
- All Black leather or leather like (NO canvas, NO volley or slip on)
- Lace up or Velcro – NO coloured laces
- Slip on canvas shoes and ballet-type shoes do not provide sufficient protection when students are participating in learning experiences or in the playground hence students will be excluded from lessons in the DAT and Science Centre without the correct footwear.

Shoes to be worn with Sports Uniform on timetabled HPE lesson day only
- Functional sports shoe – PREDOMINATELY black or white
- NO fluorescent or coloured laces

Hats
- Our Sunsafe Rule is “No Sunsafe Hat, No Play”.
- Students are encouraged to wear the school broad brimmed, bucket or legionnaire’s hat.

Winter Uniform
- School issue pullover or jacket.
- School issue navy blue track pants can be worn.
- Girls may also wear blue tights.
- No undershirts or undergarments should show outside or through uniform.

Jewellery
- The only jewellery to be worn at school are earrings (studs or sleepers and no more than one per ear) and a watch. No signet rings are to be worn.
- It is against Workplace Health and Safety Regulations to allow any other piercing apart from the ears. Similarly, no bracelets, anklets or necklaces are to be worn.
- Upon written request outlining significance, the principal will give consideration for religious, cultural and medical needs.

Hair & Make Up
- Extreme hairstyles are not permitted (This means haircuts that are not normally seen within schools of primary age cohorts i.e. tracks, mohawks, streaks, rats tails etc.)
- Hair colour is to be of natural tones - no coloured streaks
- All hair that is shoulder length or longer is required to be worn pulled back and secured away from the face and shoulders with a scrunchie, band or ribbon (matching to school colours).
- No coloured nail polish or make up is to be worn at school.

Uniform Shop Trading Hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am to 10:00am

Print friendly version for your fridge! - please click here

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PERFORMING ARTS NEWS!

**Darren Percival Workshop and Concert for ALL children in Prep – 6**

Wow – what a fantastic day!! Thank you to all parents who allowed their children to attend this wonderful event. Congratulations to the Junior and Senior Choir who got up at the final concert and performed for the whole school!

**Advanced Instrumental Camp**

Congratulations to those lucky students: Jayda R, Sari R, Leilani C, Ruby T, Holly & Sophie M who are currently at the Advanced Instrumental Music Camp at the Tallebudgera Beach School. I hear they have been having an awesome time working together with children from a variety of schools all over the South Coast region.

**Strings Green and Junior Choir Performance at Stockland Shopping Centre, Burleigh.**

Our talented Strings Green and Junior Choir children have been invited to perform at Stockland Shopping Centre on Thursday the 23rd of July. Permission and bus payments were due back on Monday the 22nd of June.

Our performance will take place at approximately 11am

**Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Bands, Strings & Choirs**

The annual Gold Coast Eisteddfod is coming again this August.

The Junior and Senior will be performing on Tuesday the 11th of August.

Junior Choir: 10:30am performance (11th of August)

Senior Choir 6:00pm performance (11th of August)

Strings Green and Strings Blue will perform on Wednesday the 26th of August.

Strings Blue at 12pm (26th of August)

Strings Green at 6pm (26th of August)

Band dates will be updated soon.

PARENT PARTNERSHIPS IN LEARNING
During semester 1 parents, grandparents and friends of our school community have been working in the classrooms with students as part of the Parent Partnerships in Learning program. I often refer to this talented group of helpers as our ‘student mentors’ or ‘parent tutors’.

We are very lucky to have such a great group of mentors that are passionate about helping others. The following mentors are shining lights in our school community and need to be congratulated:

Kelly Wax, Donna Gerber, Dana Buciuman, Tammy Walden, Aletia Gray, Christine Pratt, Kathryn Pearson, Jim Wiggins, Jenny Dalgleish, Melissa Teunissen, Janette Lyons, Misty Delander (Term 1), Ron Griffiths, Fiona DeVivo (Term 1), Robyn Belgrove.

Our PPL mentors give approximately 1 hour of their week to help our students with both Literacy and Numeracy and are often seen in the corridors having fun whilst learning and supporting the students.

The PPL program will be continuing in Semester 2 and if you would like to be a part of this team please contact me via email: kkee2@eq.edu.au by the end of week 1 (Friday 17 July) I will be creating a new roster at the beginning of Term 3 when the Semester 2 timetable is released.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe winter holiday.

Katie Kee
Parent Liaison Officer
Parent Partnerships in Learning co ordinator

SCIENCE NEWS

Diary Dates

National Science Week 15-23rd August 2015

Griffith University Gold Coast Science Competition 2-5th Sept 2015

Mr Maddock, Specialist Science Teacher

gmadd4@eq.edu.au

CONVICT DAY 2015

Convict Day’s Art Activity

From our students:

"We got a piece of paper with a boat on it. We used the ink to colour it."
The ink changed colour to white when you do it lightly. Soon it will change to a coffee colour just like the picture from the older days. We used a black and white feather to write on the piece of paper. In the olden days they used a feather to write on their piece of paper. We did zig zags loop to loop and circles around it. So much fun at school. I had fun with the ink but the ink was very messy.

By Elizabeth E 4C

“West, North, East, South” Arthur Phillip commanded.

“Stop” he shouted as we stopped at the bench, I mean Botany Bay.

Then the marines of 4C and CC Green rowed the convicts to Botany Bay while making sure no marine was tired, male and female convicts did not mix and that no convict was left unattended.

The convicts were allowed to go up onto the deck but they were so knotted that they had to step over other people’s arms. The hulk was too crowded so we had to work together to use the least amount of space.

I wish Convict Day was every day and all classes lived like convicts. I can only dream...

Indigo W

"Splash! Oh someone’s dad placed a cube on my desk so I had to unfreeze and start my monologue. Now you will probably guess that my favourite part of Convict Day was the Wax Museum. It was so much fun because it was on a Terrific Tuesday. So that’s why it was an awesome day".

Emily F

"My favourite thing was damper eating. It was so yummy. I had jam on it. Then we danced. I was a little scared of Mrs Mc……..."

Jack M
SPORTS NEWS

The Little Athletics Program that has been running throughout the Prep to Year 3 PE lessons for the past 4 weeks has come to an end. It was a very successful program with children learning the techniques and safety rules for Athletics Field Events. Each child was presented with a certificate of participation, on the back side of the certificate is a website parents can access if they would like to know any further information on Sign Up days and Clubs here on the Gold Coast.

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to 2A who have been working very hard toward achieving their own personal SKIPPING goals this term. Mrs Kliese and Ms Shaw asked to borrow some skipping ropes at the beginning of this term for the children to add a little daily fitness to their daily routine. The children are very proud of their efforts and have all achieved their personal goals!! Congratulations 2A!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Extra-Curricular Handball Competition: Starting in Week 2 Term 3

Year 4 Interhouse Sport: Every Friday Afternoon

Year 6 Interhouse Sport: Every Thursday Afternoon

Futsal Tournament: Friday the 26th June

NRL Challenge Day: Monday the 20th July

SENIOR ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Thursday and Friday was Clover Hill’s 12th annual Senior Athletics Carnival. On Thursday was the Field Events and the 800m events, and on Friday was the Track Day (75m, 150m Sprints and Relays). All students performed extremely well individually and for their Sports House. So after a really tight competition a massive congratulations goes to KOALA who were triumphant in the overall standings.

Congratulations to all Sports Houses for your efforts throughout the 2 days:
2015 House Totals

683 pts - KOALA
646 pts – WALLABY
618 pts – JABIRU
554 pts – DINGO

Congratulations to the following students who were Age Champions and Runners-Up Age Champions:

9 YEARS GIRLS:
Age Champion: Isabella M.
Runners-Up: Faith J.

9 YEARS BOYS:
Age Champion: Tyler H.
Runners-Up: Elias B.

10 YEARS GIRLS:
Age Champion: Keely M.
Runners-Up: Shanae T.

10 YEARS BOYS:
Age Champion: Joel B.
Runners-Up: Jaxyn R.

11 YEARS GIRLS:
Age Champion: Connie H.
Runners-Up: Sophie M.

11 YEARS BOYS:
Age Champion: Jesse J.
Runners-Up: Cooper P. and Kye H.

12 YEARS GIRLS:
Age Champion: Asha R.
Runners-Up: Mary P.

12 YEARS BOYS:
Age Champion: William H.
Runners-Up: Jayden S.

A massive thank you to all runners, all staff and especially to all parents, grandparents, extended family who came along to cheer on their children.

FUTSAL TOURNAMENT
Friday the 26th of June is the Year 6 Futsal Tournament held at Robina High School. This is an all-day tournament where 16 Year 6 students will be competing against students from Mudgeeraba State, Mudgeeraba Creek and Robina Primary. Good luck and congratulations to the following students who will be representing Clover Hill:

**BOYS TEAM:**
- Nicholas J
- Jack R
- Carl E
- Harrison T
- Kai J
- Ajay T
- Jeremiah J
- Tyler C

**GIRLS TEAM:**
- Ryleigh S
- Emily N
- Zali H
- Connie H
- Chloe B
- Paris W
- Lily A
- Daisy W

**NRL CHALLENGE DAY**

Due to weather conditions the NRL Challenge Day was postponed. The new date for the NRL Challenge Day is Monday the 20th of July. Students who have been selected and have paid to attend this Challenge Day will receive a remind letter outlining the details and the new draw week 1 next term. If you have any further questions about the NRL Challenge Day please contact Annie Heinemann.
House Captains Holly M and Sam N celebrating their win! GO KOALA!
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Age Champions and Runners up for 2015 Congratulations to all.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Humane Society International

RECYCLE YOUR OLD MOBILE AND HELP PROTECT THE MOUNTAIN GORILLA

The Student Council is proud to support the Humane Society International. HSI’s mission statement is to create an ecologically sustainable and humane world for all animals and their environments.

Every oldunused mobile phone and battery received by the Aussie Recycling Program (ARP) is credited to the Humane Society International.

Humane Society International will receive between $3 and $5 for phones sent.

Funds raised from recycling your old mobile will be used to support patrols in Virunga National Park, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the home of the critically endangered mountain gorilla. Many have been killed by poachers and HSI is committed to helping the surviving gorillas, whose population is declining.

Please leave old mobiles/batteries in the silver box located in the front office.
Thank you in advance for helping to support this worthy cause.

INSURANCE COVER FOR STUDENTS

Some school activities and physical education, particularly contact sports, carry inherent risks of injury. Parents are advised the Department of Education and Training does not have student accident insurance cover for students. If your child is injured at school as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs are the responsibility of the parent or caregiver.

Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If you have Private Health Insurance, some costs may also be covered by your provider. Any other costs must be covered by parents.

Student accident insurance pays some benefits in certain circumstances should your child have an accident.

It is up to all parents to decide what types and what level of private insurance they wish to arrange to cover their child.

Please contact your insurer or an approved Australian Insurance Broker if you wish to take out student personal accident insurance cover for your child.

PLAYGROUND USE

It is to be noted that all playgrounds and play equipment are out of bounds before and after school each day.

All of our school playgrounds are built as per the recommended age groups corresponding to Australian Standards outlined below:

- Prep playground, located next to the multipurpose courts - Prep students ONLY
- Junior playground, located in the middle of A & B block classrooms – Prep and Year 1 students ONLY
- Middle playground, located behind the resource centre - Year 2 & 3 students ONLY
- Fitness circuit, located on the senior oval - Years 4-6 students ONLY

Any unauthorised persons seen using this equipment outside the supervised play periods will be asked to leave equipment immediately for workplace health and safety reasons.

CENTREPAY OPTION

As part of our continual review of processes at Clover Hill State School, we now have the opportunity for parents to pay school resources payments through the Centrepay option.
Centrepay is a free direct bill paying service available to customers who receive a Centrelink payment (eg. Pension, Newstart Allowance and Family Tax Benefit). You can specify a target amount and regular deductions will be made until the target amount is reached. You also have the option to change/suspend your fortnightly deductions.

If you are interested in this option, please contact the Business Services Manager, Ann St George, on 55594111 and an appointment can be readily made. The form only takes 5 minutes to complete and is then faxed to Centrelink. The deductions are then paid directly into the schools bank account with a specific identifier to then be receipted against allocated invoices.

We hope this new option is helpful to our school community.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

With the cold weather now upon us dont forget to order your yummy HOT FOOD from the the Tuckshop.

We also have delicious HOT CHOCOLATES $1.20 available from 8:30am to warm up your morning.

Parents we also have you covered with fresh hot coffee and muffins available every morning from 8:30am, so come on up and grab one today!!

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**SIZE 6 and 8 jackets are back in stock..**

Clarks Leather Florence Girls Shoes were $69.95 on SALE now for $39.95 various sizes.

Clarks Leather Vienna Boys Velcro shoes were $69.95 on SALE now for $39.95 limited sizes

Discontinued big sized prep socks $4.00

Big Sized winter Jumpers and Jacket on sale.

Final Clearance on all old style uniforms limited sizes available.

Opening hours 8.15am-10.30am every Tuesday and Thursday morning.

**CBA SCHOOL BANKING**

Thank you so much for participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program at Clover Hill.

To enable the program to run smoothly I wanted to clarify a few points.

- Banking is every Friday morning from 8:30 - 9:00am at the tuckshop during term time.
• One deposit per child per week is allowed through School.

• One token is issued per week, per individual deposit, regardless of the monetary value of that individual deposit.

• The recording of tokens issued is an automated system, and not decided by the volunteers.

• The CBA School Banking Web based system used by the volunteers to process your child’s deposit will only allow them to submit one deposit per banking day.

• Once your child reaches 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward from the choice of the current available rewards. The volunteers will let you know when your child has reached 10 tokens and will send out a rewards card.

• The rewards are individually ordered and may take up to 2 weeks to arrive.

• To make the School Banking program unique to Schools, the CBA Branches do not provide tokens for deposits made through the branch network, or through internet banking.

• A commission is paid to Clover Hill when the children bank through School. This is $5 for the first time your child banks at School, and 5% of each deposit, up to a total individual deposit of $200.

P and C NEWS

Save the Date....The Twilight Fair is back this August 14 at Clover Hill Senior Oval. There will be Rides, Games, Live Entertainment, Food and Drinks with a huge firework finale! Fantastic fun for all ages, purchase your wristbands online in advance to save money, go to munchmonitor.com

SPEECH AND DRAMA RESULTS

SPEECH AND DRAMA RESULTS at the MURWILLUMBAH EISTEDDFOD, JUNE 2015

Novice Humorous Verse - 7 years

CAITLIN K Commended
SOPHIE B Commended
LAYLA P Highly Commended

Novice Humorous Verse 9 years

ALISHA K 2ND
Duologue – 11 years

MADISON K & MADISON P                 Highly Commended

Well done everyone – Karen Sleep, Speech and Drama Teacher ph 0438732009

ROBINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL  KEY DATES

Important dates for families seeking enrolment in 2016

Signature Programs – ROUND TWO OFFERS RELEASED

(Early Entry Closed)

(Week beg. 29 June 2015)

12 August 2015

Enrolment Information Evening

Japanese Immersion Information Session

(5.30pm – RSHS Performing Arts Centre)

Enrolment Forms Due (18 September 2015)

Once completed enrolment forms are received, individual enrolment interviews will be booked.

13 November 2015

Orientation Day

All students who have enrolled at RSHS in 2016 are invited to Orientation Day.

(9.30am – 2.30pm – RSHS Campus)

NB. All information sessions are held at the Robina State High School – Performing Arts Centre

GOLD COAST TECHSPACE

Gold Coast TechSpace have agreed to run a series of school holiday seminars. The sessions will be held in the Mudgeeraba Library.

Please see below for more information.
Electronics & Programming Discovery Workshops for kids this school holidays at Mudgeeraba Library

GCDuino Discovery workshops run during the school holidays and on occasional weekends in term time, they include Lego, Lego Mindstorms, Arduino Electronics, Programming and lots more. They are a great way for kids to learn about technology in a relaxed and more casual atmosphere than school. We encourage kids to explore their ideas: creativity and experimentation are encouraged!

Our facilitators are all geeks - exploring and experimenting with technology is a big part of our lives and we would like to encourage this spirit in the next generation.

29th June, 9:30 - 11am: “What to do with ‘Techie Kids in the holidays” - a seminar for parents of mini-geeks!
30th June, 9:30 - 11:30am: “Introduction to Arduino Electronics using GCDuino”
1st July, 9:30 - 11:30am: “Introduction to Arduino Electronics using GCDuino”
3rd July, 9:30 - 11:30am: “Introduction to Arduino Electronics using GCDuino”

Workshop Size: 6, Age: 10+

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